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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Congressional Research Service Report
on Soviet Intelligence Activities

1. The Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress is preparing a report comparing American and Soviet national defense posture. Two analysts are preparing a section of that report on United States and Soviet intelligence activities. They have asked us for help and guidance in their assessment of Soviet intelligence. This matter has been raised at an executive committee meeting by Mr. Cary, and after consultation with [redacted] I made the following arrangements with the two Congressional Research Service analysts involved.

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2. Col. John M. Collins and Dr. Richard F. Grimmett will be permitted, pending appropriate security arrangements, to review NIS 56, Foreign Intelligence and Security Services: USSR. They are to use this material principally to guide them in making judgments about the relative accuracy of overt source material. If they find information in the NIS which would be extremely useful to them and if this information is not available from open source material, they may request the Agency to review such information on an item-by-item basis to see if it would be possible for them to use it in their report. If the Agency agrees to the use of such information, it may also insist upon non-attribution. Finally, the draft of the report will be reviewed by the Agency. The Agency may insist upon any alterations it believes are desirable for security purposes. The Agency may also make recommendations and otherwise provide guidance.

3. It is understood that the final report, including the section on Soviet intelligence, will be widely disseminated in Congress and the analysts are hopeful that it will get substantial play. They have indicated that they may use this report as a basis for a more expanded future report on the Soviet intelligence threat.

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